

NOMENCLATURAL STATUS OF THE FORAMINIFERAL GENUS *CUBANELLA* SAIDOVA, 1981

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The Carpenteriinae, as defined by Saidova (1981) contains *Carpenteria* Gray, 1858, *Haerella* Belford, 1960, *Carpenterella* Bermudez, 1949, and *Cubanella* Saidova, 1981. *Carpenterella* Bermudez is a junior homonym of *Carpenterella* Collette in Collette and Hale-Carpenter 1933, and was renamed *Bermudezella* by Thalmann (1951). Loeblich and Tappan (1964) considered *Bermudezella* and *Haerella* junior synonyms of *Carpenteria*.

Saidova (1981) established the genus *Cubanella* and selected *Carpenteria cubana* (Cushman and Bermudez, 1936) as the type-species. Originally this species was described as the type and only member of *Neocarpenteria* by Cushman and Bermudez (1936), and they differentiated *Neocarpenteria* from *Carpenteria* based on its large, semicircular aperture with distinct lip. Loeblich and Tappan (1964) noted that the aperture of the type-specimen of *Neocarpenteria cubana* was an irregular artifact of the broken final chamber. Loeblich and Tappan (1964:C708) further added, "As the type species of *Carpenteria* does not grow upward into a cylindrical form and the apertural distinction is nonexistent, the name *Neocarpenteria* is a junior synonym [of *Carpenteria*]." *Cubanella* Saidova is a junior objective synonym of *Neocarpenteria* (International Code of Zoological Nomenclature, ICZN, Article 61b) with *Neocarpenteria* a junior subjective synonym of *Carpenteria* (Loeblich and Tappan, 1964). *Cubanella* Saidova also is a junior homonym of *Cubanella* Pelegrin Franganillo (1926), an arachnid.

Cubanella Saidova 1981, cannot be given a new name (ICZN, Article 60), but is to be replaced by *Carpenteria*, the oldest available synonym (ICZN, Article 60a); or if the synonymy of *Neocarpenteria* and *Carpenteria* is rejected, by *Neocarpenteria*.

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